In addition to the Employee/Team Commitments listed, GOT employees have expectations of their management team. These commitments are in addition to the Employee/Team Commitments that apply to everyone in GOT. These commitments apply to all executive directors, directors, managers, supervisors, branch managers, project team leaders, or anyone who is functioning in a similar capacity in GOT.

## **Management Commitments:**

- **1.** Open communications across all levels of the organization Good decisions come from having all available information. Effective communications, in written and oral forms, are crucial to a smooth flow.
- **2.** Listen to all input and provide candid feedback You will only encourage your employees to be less than forthcoming if you "shoot the messenger" or kill any opposing opinions.
- **3.** Support of staffs' decisions and provide "air cover" To enhance the decision-making abilities of employees and first-level managers and supervisors, we must support those decisions that follow GOT policy and coach the staff in better decision-making.
- **4.** Truthfulness and trustworthiness Managers will tell the truth and follow through on commitments. They are entitled to expect the same from their employees.
- **5.** Sympathy and compassion for personal situations
- **6.** Management through the chain of command While communications are open across the organization, management actions will be resolved through the formal chain of command.
- **7.** Strive for "win/win" outcomes in all situations
- **8.** Use coaching and mentoring as tools in their staffs' professional development